S. O. 2170.—In pursuance of sub-section (1) of Section 5 of the Mines and Minerals (Regulation and Development) Act, 1957, the Government of Mysore are pleased to sanction the grant of a Prospecting Licence for Soapstone to Messrs. Mysore Minerals Ltd., in the following areas of the Arsikere Taluk, Hassan District, on the terms and conditions mentioned below :—

Village	*S. Nos.*	*Area*
Jadagatta Appenahalli	51,46 and 45 24,25, 21,30 29 and 27	600 Acres (242-81 Hectares).

(As delineated in the plan as furnished by the Department of Mines and Geology).

Terms and Conditions.

1. The licence shall be operative for a period of two years with effect from the date of execution. The option to renew the licence for a further period shall be reserved to Government ;

2. The licensee shall pay to Government a Prospecting fee of Rs. 2-50 per hectare of the land covered by the licence for each year or portion of a year ;

3. The quantity of ore to be removed under this licence, both on payment of royalty and free of royalty, shall be in accordance with the limits prescribed under Rule 14 (ii) and (iii) and under Schedule III respectively, of the Mineral Concession Rules, 1960. The royalty payable on the minerals shall be in accordance with the rates prescribed in second schedule to the Mines and Minerals (Regulation and Development) Act, 1957 and as amended from time to time ;

4. The licensee shall make available to the Government of India beryl or any other "substance prescribed" under Section 3 of the Atomic Energy Act No. XXIX of 1948, if they occur in the property under licence;

5 The licence shall be subject to the rules issued under Sections 13 and 18 of the Mines and Minerals (Regulation and Development) Act, 1957 (No. 67 of 1957);

6. If any other mineral is traced during the course of prospecting, the licensee shall report about the same to the Director of Mines and Geology and shall not work such mineral without obtaining prior permission of Government;

7. The licensee shall furnish an accurate final map of the areas covered by the licence together with a description, giving the situation and boundaries of the areas duly attested by the licensee. The Director of Mines and Geology is authorised to get the accurate final map with survey numbers, etc., prepared and demarcation done before executing the Licence if the Licensee so desired and to recover the cost of the same from the Licensee;

8. The licensee shall, before the deposit is returned to him, submit confidentially to the Director of Mines and Geology from time to time or whenever required a full report of the work done by him and disclose all information acquired in the course of the operations carried on under the licence regarding the geology and mineral resources of the area covered by the licence;

9 The licensee shall allow any officer authorised by the Central or the State Government to inspect at any time the area covered by the Prospecting licence as also any accounts, plans and records maintained by him;

10 The licensee shall, before the licence is issued to him, deposits as security a sum of Rs. 200 in respect of

every square kilometre or part thereof for which the licence is granted for due observance of the terms and conditions of the licence;

11. The licensee shall engage a qualified geologist or a mining engineer to conduct the prospecting methodically; and

12. The licensee shall not give any ore-raising contract during the prospecting stage;

13. The abovementioned area is subject to verification after actual survey.

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By Order and in the name of the Governor of Mysore,

1441 N. NARAYANASWAMY, *Under Secy.*